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| Applicant(s): Hideki Iwata et al. | | | | |
| Invention: SLIDING COMPOSITION AND SLIDING MEMBER | | | | |
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| Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application. | | | | |
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Examiner: Shruti S. Costales

AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION

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Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Office Action dated November 3, 2005, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Title begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 3 of this paper.

Amendments to the Abstract begin on page 4 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 5 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this paper.

AMENDMENTS TO THE TITLE

Please amend the Title of invention, as set forth below in marked-up form.

-- SLIDING COMPOSITION AND SLIDING MEMBER HAVING A
THERMOSETTING RESIN, POLYTETRAFLUOROETHYLENE, AN ALKALINE EARTH
METAL SALT, AND BISMUTH AND/OR A BISMUTH ALLOY --